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SATURDAY, APRIL 17, 1897.

The delivery of the English Mail was begun at 9.40 a.m. yesterday.

The North German Lloyd Company pays a dividend for the past year at the rate of 4 per cent.

The European Ladies of Ceylon have started a jubilee fund in aid of the Ceylon Nurses' Association. The money will be devoted to a special ward being added to the Hospital at Hutton.

Home papers contain a long list of naval appointments consequent on the transfer of the crew of the *Undaunted* to the *Rhyer* at Trincomalee. Capt. A. C. Clarke will be the new commander of the *Undaunted*.

The P. and O. steamer *Himalaya*, which left London on the 12th March, took \$251,600 worth of bar gold for Koba. A Home paper says: "The recent arrival of bar gold from the Cape has been bought for the Japanese account; the price bid was again reduced, but in the absence of other purchasers 77s. 9d. was accepted."

Mr. A. G. Wise, Puisne Judge, and Mrs. Wise, are passengers by the P. and O. steamer *Sunda*, which sailed from London on the 20th March. Mr. H. C. Nicolle, Local Auditor, Mr. R. D. Sanders, and Mr. J. G. T. Backle are passengers by the next P. and O. mail steamer; and Messrs R. Ingles and W. A. Cruickshank (of Messrs Jardine Matheson and Co.) on the mail steamer following.

A special meeting of the Shanghai Municipal ratapayers will be held on Wednesday next, the 21st inst., to consider the question of the collection of the house tax for wheelbarrows plying for hire, imposed by the annual Meeting of Ratapayers held on the 9th of March, 1897, and the action in relation thereto of the Council for the Foreign Community of Shanghai, North of the Yangtze River.

His Majesty of Johore has bestowed the decoration of the Grand Order of the Crown of Johore upon the Hon. Mr. Shephard, who is leaving Singapore for England. The Order conferred upon Dato Shephard is the highest one ever conferred upon Europeans, viz., that of "Sri Paduka Mahkota Johore." Only two other British subjects have had the honour of being appointed as Grand Commanders of the Most Honourable Order of the Cross of Johore. These were the late Duke of Sutherland, S.M.S., and the late General Fielding, S.M.S.

Last night, a Chinaman in endeavouring to escape arrest fell from the roof of a house in Tit Tong Lane, and was instantly killed. A quarrel arose between the inmates of a coolie house at 9 Tit Tong Lane and a man named Lo Wai, a cook, in consequence of the food not being properly cooked. The cook lifted a lighted kerosene lamp and hurled it at the head of the Tit Tong, inflicting a severe wound on his jaw. The Tit Tong went out of the house to summon a policeman to arrest the cook. On his return with P. C. McVicar (No. 52) the cook was shot to be seen in the house. They were told, however, that he had gone up to the roof of the house. The constable and the complainant ascended to the roof of the house, and saw Lo Wai sitting there. They made towards him to effect his capture, but Lo Wai no sooner defied their intention when he got up and ran down the roof, and endeavoured to leap across the lane separating the houses, a distance of fifteen feet. Missing the eaves of the opposite house, he fell a distance of forty feet and was instantly killed. The body was removed to the mortuary. The complainant was sent to hospital to have his injuries attended to. An inquiry will be held.

There is many a brave deed left unrecorded on account of the extreme modesty of the person to whom great credit is due. After a lapse of a week we have just heard of a very plucky rescue from drowning which is deserving of very high commendation. The rescue was effected on Saturday last by a young lad named Ernest Sayer, son of Mr. G. J. B. Sayer, of the Naval Yard, and a catastrophe was only averted by the rescuer's great coolness and presence of mind. A number of coolies were engaged carrying coal from a lighter anchored near the wharf at No. 3 Dock, at the works of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, at Kowloon. Two of the coolies slipped off the pier into about twenty feet of water. Mr. Sayer, who is an apprentice engineer employed by the Dock Company, was in the vicinity and, hearing the shouts of the coolies, he made for the pier and observed one of the coolies struggling in the water close to the pier. He grasped the man's quince and pulled him out of the water. The other man had drifted out some distance from the wall and was making frantic efforts to swim to the pier. Sayer, without a moment's hesitation, threw off his boots and dived in to his rescue. He swam towards the man, who appeared to be quite exhausted, and seized hold of his quince. A short swim brought them to land. The coolies soon recovered from their immersion. It is our great pleasure to bring to the notice of the public this plucky rescue, which through the reticence and modesty of the rescuer would still have been shrouded in secrecy had the intimation of the occurrence not reached us from other quarters.

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The lowest temperature recorded in Colombo (in the shade) was 63.3 on the 8th Feb., 1893—about the date of 'the Hong-kong blizzard.'

H.M.S. *Humber* leaves on Tuesday next for Shanghai, Nagasaki and coast ports with stores for H.M. warships. It is expected that Sir Claude Macdonald will travel by her.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alien Memorial and Netherlands Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—Carmichael & Co., Ltd., £8 15.

Owing to the numerous engagements for Easter Monday, the final for the Golf Club Gold Medal and the 'At Home' arranged for that day have been postponed until a later date, due notice of which will be given.

Mr H. E. Wedhouse, C.M.G., Police Magistrate, resumed his duties at the Magistrate's Court. Commander Hastings, who held the acting appointment returns to his old appointment of Assistant Harbour-master.

The Marquis and Marchioness of Breadalbane, who are on a tour round the world and who were the guests in Ceylon of the world-renowned T. J. Lipton, arrived by the P. and O. mail steamer *Commodore* on Good Friday. The Marquis paid a visit to the Kowloon Docks the same day.

The Band of the West Yorkshire Regiment will play the following programme at the Polo Match at Causeway Bay on Monday afternoon, commencing at 5 o'clock:—
1.—March "The Grenadier."
2.—"The Grenadier."
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5.—"The Grenadier."
6.—"The Grenadier."
7.—"The Grenadier."
8.—"The Grenadier."
9.—"The Grenadier."
10.—"The Grenadier."

We learn that negotiations are in progress to retain the West Yorkshire Regiment in the Colony for another year. The proposed arrangement is to relieve the Fifth Brigade with the Regiment that was originally intended to take the place of the West Yorks at the end of the year. If the arrangement is agreed to, the West Yorks will go straight to India after serving about two years here.

Captain Dundas, R.N., who arrived by the English mail *Commodore*, and proceeds to Tientsin to take over his duties, will have specially under his charge the training of cadets for the future Chinese navy. His position will be somewhat similar to that formerly occupied by Captain Tracy, at Foochow. It may be interesting to note that when the Chinese Government applied for the services of a British naval officer, and it was agreed to permit such service, on the ships sent in by the members of the Board of Admiralty to the Secretary being scrutinised it was found that every member had inscribed Captain Dundas's name as being the most suitable man for the post. He is accompanied by a chief petty officer of the British navy.

Last evening, the members of the Hongkong Christian Endeavour Society held their Annual Good Friday Tea and Concert, in the Union Church Hall, Kennedy Road, at which the Rev. G. Williams presided over a large audience. Mr. Williams gave two readings during the entertainment. The programme was as follows:—

Descriptive: "The Storm at Sea." Mr. Terrell.
Song: "Jesus, I have loved thee." Choir.
Solo: "The Lamb of God." Mr. Robinson.
Song: "There is a green hill." Mr. Aldrich.
Solo: "Henry's love." Mrs. Aldrich.
Recitation: "At last." Sgt. Gould.
Song: "My old Colonel." Mr. Gould.
Solo: "The land without a shadow." Mr. Gould.
Song: "Heavenly Father." Mr. Gould.
Solo: "Peace, be still." Mr. Gould.
Solo: "The Holy City." Mr. Gould.

Recitations: "The War of the Roses." Mr. Gould.
"The Golden Rule." Mr. Gould.
Quartette: "I am He that breatheth."

We learn from a Singapore exchange that the Admiralty have definitely arrived at a decision to adopt a scheme for transforming the Hongkong establishment into a first-class naval base commensurate with the importance the colony has assumed in the light of the recent changes in the Far East. With the steady increase in size and number of cruisers on the China Station, the want of an Admiralty dock was felt to be an urgent one. It is noted with satisfaction that certain objections by the Colonial authorities have been overcome, and a working arrangement arrived at between the naval and military authorities for the exchange of ground, whereby the naval yard will have the whole sea-frontage on the best site from the strategical standpoint.

On Friday evening the 9th inst. (says the N.C. Daily News) a lady and gentleman were driving along the Yungtsepo Road and near the Cotton Cloth Mill were met by a gang of natives, estimated at about 250 in number, who, without warning or provocation, raised a shower of stones on them. The gentleman and the lady, who were on horseback, were under control, but without success as the frightened animal bolted down and with toward the Police Station. The lady somehow managed to get out of the vehicle and the man held on to the reins until he was last brought to a standstill. The lady fortunately escaped without injury, but the gentleman had his left wrist badly cut, and was struck in other parts of the body by stones. The affair was reported at Kowloon Police Station and the Police have it in hand.

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ON Tuesday H.M.S. *Abderry* leaves for the North.

EXTRACTS from the Annual Report of the China Association will be found on the fifth page.

H.M.S. *Daphne* has been ordered from Manila to Hongkong. The *Norris* goes into dock on Monday.

The only change in share quotations to-day is the decline of Bank Golds from \$15 to \$14.

The Criminal Sessions will be held on Tuesday. There is only one case on the calendar—a charge of forgery.

This morning, two blue-jackets were tried by court martial on board H.M.S. *Norris*. The Court was composed as follows:—President—Captain Login; Deputy Judge Advocate J. A. Keys; Commanders F. W. Wyley, Smith, Doreen, A. Henderson and K. Wade. Robert Annal, A.B., was convicted of four charges of disorderly conduct, one being of striking his superior officer. He was sentenced to two years' imprisonment, and ordered to be dismissed the service. W. Harrington, ordinary seaman, was sentenced to twelve calendar months' imprisonment for striking his superior officer.

It has been represented to us that some slight misunderstanding might be created from an expression made use of in our Thursday's article on "The Acceleration of the Mail Service." We take this (the first) opportunity of removing this misunderstanding. We stated that "by the departure of the French mail steamer on Wednesday we will have the English mail steamer following three days after, &c., &c." The point we were emphasising was this—In one week, one mail steamer leaves on Wednesday and the other on Saturday, and then there is a lapse of eleven days before the next mail departs if the Messageries Maritimes retain their present sailing days. To be strictly correct—and it is well to be so in such matters—it is the French mail steamer that leaves four days after the P. and O. steamer. Both steamers now leave Shanghai on alternate Saturdays. The acceleration of the P. and O. service under the new contract, as already explained by us, must take place at the Far Eastern end. Therefore, the P. and O. departure is thrown into the following (French mail) week: the P. and O. leave Shanghai, say on Tuesday and the M. M. on Saturday, four days later; consequently, the M. M. steamer will leave Hongkong on Wednesday, four days after the P. and O.—the next P. and O. leaving on the following Saturday week. This explanation looks somewhat laboured, especially as it is meant to clear away any misunderstanding of our original statement of the alterations; but the idea intended to be conveyed is that the long interval in the despatch of the mails takes place between the M. M. and P. and O. departures, not between the P. and O. and M. M. departures.

The establishment of a British Consulate in this port (writes the *Singapore Free Press*) is a mark of progress and development. The new Consul, Mr. Falford, is here. He is stopping with the Commissioner of Customs. He has been in China for several years, has occupied consular positions in other parts of the Empire, is well acquainted with the Mandarin and Chinese officials, and hence is well qualified for his work.

A serious collision occurred off the Associated Wharves at Shanghai on the 10th inst. between the steamers *Tweezer* and *Rubyan*. The former was lying moored to the U.S.N.'s upper buoy, when the *Rubyan*, which was under way, in attempting to clear a large junk steering across the river, ran into her. Both vessels were seriously damaged, several of the plates in the *Tweezer*'s forecastle being smashed, while the *Rubyan*'s side was badly twisted and several plates stove in. Both ships will have to be docked and it is estimated that about a fortnight will be required to effect the necessary repairs.

GLADLY, says the *United Service Gazette*, was the late news regarding the arrival of a decision to adopt a scheme for transforming the Hongkong establishment into a first-class naval base commensurate with the importance the colony has assumed in the light of the recent changes in the Far East. With the steady increase in size and number of cruisers on the China Station, the want of an Admiralty dock was felt to be an urgent one. It is noted with satisfaction that certain objections by the Colonial authorities have been overcome, and a working arrangement arrived at between the naval and military authorities for the exchange of ground, whereby the naval yard will have the whole sea-frontage on the best site from the strategical standpoint.

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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

(SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL.")

London, April 14, 1897.

THE EASTERN EMBROGGLIO. Nothing definite is known yet as to the result of the invasion of Turkey by the Greeks.

THE TOWERS are parleying with Turkey on the subject of the *deli* gun in Crete.

GREEN FINANCES. Owing to the present situation, the Greek budget is nearly exhausted, and it appears that the only resource left is an internal loan, which will be only obtainable by procuring war and thus appealing to the patriotism of the people.

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DEPARTURE OF DR EITEL, LATE INSPECTOR OF SCHOOLS.

(Continued.)

The departure on Friday by the *Tsuen* for the Australian Colonies of Dr and Mrs Eitel and their two daughters is the closing event in a highly useful and honourable official career. Dr Eitel has, we understand, selected Adelaide as a residence, and a German Lutheran Church at this popular health resort will, almost from the date of his arrival, have the privilege of his regular ministry as its clergyman.

Dr Eitel and his family will be followed to the land of their adoption by the good wishes of many Hongkong friends. The concourse of Chinese and non-Chinese residents which assembled to say farewell at the wharf, and on board the steamer, is a sure token that the memory of the popular inspector of schools will long be kept green in the place where so much of his best work was done.

Outside Hongkong and far inland from the British Kowloon boundary there are other places where Dr Eitel's attainments in Chinese Scholarship, and his varied gifts and graces, especially his good fellowship with "all sorts and conditions of men," will be held in lasting remembrance. Captains and crews of passenger liners, and the crews of the *East River* from Canton to Wai-Chau delight in recalling conversations with him and they were parties—talks by means of which the tedious of the journey was beguiled and useful information imparted and received on both sides.

It was in this region of the neighboring province that the late Inspector of Schools obtained a thorough knowledge of the Hakka dialect, which, in addition to Cantonese, he spoke with fluency and correctness, and he was able to collect in course of years a fund of first-hand information which has been of great use to him in his official capacity.

It must be remembered that the conditions of "real life" in these districts were more than usually favourable to the acquisition of Chinese knowledge by the Western visitor who was able and willing to converse with the people. Hakka villagers often manifest a certain frankness and simplicity, which is not so common in the Cantonese. Moreover, the habits of the frontier of country were much given to candour and honesty. When excited by impending lawsuits or indignation at the recollection of real or fancied injustice, the heart of the Hakka villager turns to intelligent and sympathetic listening, free from the old-fashioned distrust of the stranger, and the old-fashioned distrust of the stranger.

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On April 1, at 8.25 a.m., and in Lat. 7. 32 N. Long. 102.33 E., Captain Calder of the *Montagu* sighted a junk waving a red flag and with a white cross on her bows, which she was hoisting at her bows. Concluding from these signs that water had run short the *Montagu* bore down on her when it was found that the junk was the "King Hing Lee" bound from Bangkok to Singapore, that she had been 20 days at sea and without fresh water for three days. There were 38 persons on board all told, and carried, in addition to a general cargo, 170 pigs and a large quantity of fowls in crates. The *Montagu* gave the distressed junk 600 gallons of fresh water and proceeded on her voyage. *Siam Free Press*.

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WEATHER NOTICE.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory:—

On the 17th at 11.15 a.m. The high pressure area appears to be covering Japan at present. Forecast:—strong Easterly wind, probably moderating; cloudy, foggy and rainy.

SHOOTING. The Easter Meeting of the Hongkong Rifle Association was commenced yesterday at the Rifle Ranges, Kowloon. There was quite a change from the recent spell of warm weather we have been enjoying for a short time, and a stiff wind was blowing across the ranges. The conditions for shooting were on the whole, however, very favourable. Although somewhat cold, the wind was steady, and there was no mist hanging about to obscure the light. There was a fairly good attendance of competitors, and some very good shooting took place. The first stages of the Queen's and Carline competitions were fired off. Shepherd made some very good shooting in the Queen's and stands well ahead in the aggregate. A great deal of interest was manifested in the revolver competitions on the military range. At 50 yards with an 8-inch hull, Mr. F. Smyth had a possible 6 bulls. Lieutenant (General) of H.M.S. *Narrissa* had a score of 26. Mr. Smyth fired with a Colt revolver and the weapon used by Lieutenant (General) was a "Wetly." Today the weather was not so favourable. A number of the competitors were advanced a stage. On Monday afternoon, between three and five o'clock, the Ladies' Nomination competition will be fired on the Naval Range. Miss Chingling has kindly consented to present the prizes at the close of the meeting on Monday.

A PARTY of six Europeans sent out by a Liverpool Salvage Association arrived at Singapore by the *ss. Apollo* on the 15th inst. They have been sent out to try and find the *Compagnie Nationale* steamer *Castor*, which stranded in Toulon Bay on the 29th January, whilst on a voyage from Hongkong to Saigon. The party have brought out their pumps and salvage appliances with them, and there is every prospect that the expedition will be successful. *Singapore Free Press*.

THE *Malayan Times* of the 1st March publishes the following:—The India Office has sent six nurses to Bombay for the plague. The *Himalaya*, which left England on the 12th, had on board Miss M. Hale, Miss A. Jones, Miss J. E. Wheatley, and Miss M. C. Steele. These nurses have been engaged for one year, on a salary of £175, besides freights, and other expenses. The Government have also despatched for Bombay another volunteer named Sister Catherine (Miss McIntosh), who, it appears, has had a good deal of experience in nursing plague patients when the epidemic was prevailing in Hongkong.

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LATE TELEGRAMS.

(Times of Ceylon.)

THE UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE MEETING, London, April 2.—The latest betting on the University Boat Race is 7 to 2 against Oxford.

KROGER'S GRANDSON SUSPECTED FOR INSULTING THE QUEEN.

March 31.—A telegram from Johannesburg states that Lieut. Edgar, grand-son of President Kruger, and head of the Police, having quarrelled with some Britishers on the race-course at Krugersdorp, took occasion to make some insulting remarks about Queen Victoria. He has been suspended pending an inquiry.

THE BRITISH REVENUE FOR THE YEAR. April 1.—The British revenue for the year amounts to £210,949,885.

DEATH OF THE ARCHBISHOP OF DUBLIN. The death is announced of Dr. Plunkett, Archbishop of Dublin.

THE VICTORIA WATER RAILWAY BILL PASSED. On 10th April, 1897, the House of Representatives at Washington has passed the new Tariff Bill, with an amendment bringing it into force immediately.

SLAVERY TO BE ABOLISHED IN ZAMBIA. London, April 2.—Mr. Curzon, replying to a question in the House of Commons, said that a decree for the abolition of slavery would be proclaimed at Zanzibar next week.

MR. RICHES RETURNS TO THE CAPE. Mr. Curzon has returned to the Cape to resume his duties in the Cape Parliament.

A GERMAN DOCTOR REFUSES YERSEN'S DEMAND. Calcutta, April 2.—Dr. Strecker, of the German Scientific Commission, has been attacked by Plague at Bombay, and has refused inoculation with Dr. Yersen's serum.

THE PLAGUE. The week's death-rate at Bombay has again risen, the Plague mortality being fifty-eight above the preceding week's figures. The Plague returns at Karachi continue heavy. The epidemic at Sind is becoming more general and virulent; but no returns are published. The Collector at Hyderabad (Sind) is ill.

The outbreak at Sukkur is so virulent that the issue of second and third class railway tickets has been stopped. Passengers are prohibited from crossing the bridge at Sukkur without medical certificate.

THE HEALTH OF THE TROOPS IN INDIA. London, April 1.—Lord George Hamilton, in his despatch to the Viceroy, has mentioned the fact that the Government have been unable to secure acquiescence in the continuance of the state of things as revealed in His Excellency's despatch on the subject. No measures must, however, be adopted capable of being represented as encouraging vice, and no provision for soldiers, no pecuniary examination of women, no permitting prostitutes to reside in the regimental bazaar, and no accompanying regiments on the march. Subject to these conditions the Government approve the suggestion of the Army Sanitary Committee to employ female hospital assistants. Lord George Hamilton requests that the Viceroy will forward the rules which he adopts for the purpose of executing the above decisions, and that, if legislation is necessary, which he doubts, it should be undertaken immediately. Government is of opinion that in renewed efforts to provide education, occupation, and recreations for the troops.

OBITUARY. Allahabad, March 23.—I regret to announce the death from cholera at Allahabad of Major G. W. Younghouse, 14th Bengal Lancers, and the Lieutenant H. G. P. Gentry, Royal Artillery.

THE GRAND NATIONAL. London, March 26.—The following is the result of the race for the Liverpool Grand National Steeplechase:—
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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Harbour or midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.

2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.

3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Master's Office.

4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. & O. Co.'s Office.

5. From P. & O. Co.'s Office to the P. & O. Co.'s Office.

6. From P. & O. Co.'s Office to the Naval Yard.

Section.

7. From Naval Yard to Blue Buildings.

8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.

9. From East Point to North Point.

10. From North Point to Kowloon.

11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessel's Name.	Flag.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons net.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Active	5	Storm	Danish str.	426	April 13	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Kobe & Yokohama	22d inst.
Ariake Maru	5	Ass.	Japan.	1886	April 14	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha	Kobe & Yokohama	23d inst.
Baigao	5	Rinder	Brit.	2095	Jan. 28	O. S. S. Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Catherine Apcer	5	Olifont	Brit.	1733	April 17	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
China	5	Voss	Ger.	1114	Mar. 29	Stearns & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Chow Tai	5	Morris	Brit.	1116	April 18	Yuen Fat Hong	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Chunshan	5	Thorpy	Brit.	1281	April 18	Bradley & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Dante	5	Kopke	Ger.	1302	April 13	Chinese	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Emmerald	5	Gayler	Brit.	976	April 18	Matheson, Tomes & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Falkenberg	5	Freeden	Ger.	775	April 15	Melchers & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Hankow	5	Hansen	Ech.	1347	April 16	A. R. Martz	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Kiang-nan	5	Imokoy	Chi.	1520	April 19	Matheson & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Kwang-sung	5	Slaker	Brit.	1505	April 17	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Oni Maru	5	Yen	Japan.	977	April 17	Chinese	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Pronto	5	Meyer	Ger.	1505	April 17	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Taiyang	5	Sawer	Brit.	1505	April 17	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Tak-sung	5	Rolle	Brit.	977	April 17	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Triumph	5	Rike	Ger.	1219	April 16	Jatzen & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Whampoa	5	Vangban	Brit.	1115	April 13	Butterfield & Swire	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Wong-koi	5	Stonham	Ger.	1200	April 12	Lantz, Wegener & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Wootan	5	Jacobson	Brit.	1105	April 17	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Yuen-sung	5	Waddilove	Brit.	1105	April 17	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Sailing Vessels.								
Atlantic	2	Kolkenberg	Ger. bge.	638	Mar. 31	Lee Kee	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Brunei	2	Swanston	Brit. bge.	1665	April 1	Standard Oil Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Carrier Dove	2	Brandt	A. 4-m. ech.	638	Mar. 26	J. O. Eperley	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Cleopatra	2	Brown	Brit. bge.	348	April 11	Bradley & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Falls of Dee	2	Lock	Br. 4-m. sh.	1846	Feb. 16	Standard Oil Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Henry Failing	2	Merriman	Amer. sh.	1695	Feb. 16	Order	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Kambara	5	Brownell	Brit. sh.	1685	Mar. 4	Master	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Lancaster	5	Sahl	Brit. sh.	1748	April 12	Dodwell, Carill & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Mary L. Cushing	5	Surduton	Amer. sh.	1675	April 12	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Port Stanley	2	Williams	Br. 4-m. bk.	2167	April 1	Standard Oil Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Stanfield	2	Wilson	Brit. bge.	435	April 2	Master	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
Torridale	5	Buchanan	Br. 4-m. bk.	2164	Feb. 16	Standard Oil Co.	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.
West York	5	Brk	Brk. bge.	683	Oct. 18	Order	Spore & Calcutta	23d inst.

Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Flag.	Tons.	Guns.	L.P.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Alacrity	British	1700	12	5000	Commander F. G. De Lisle	Hongkong
Archer	British	1770	16	5000	Comd. C. J. Kingmill	Manila
Centurion	British	10,500	41	13,000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Daphne	British	1143	46	2600	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Manila
Esk	British	369	9	300	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Manila
Firebrand	British	7350	36	12,000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Grafton	British	260	6	4000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Handy	British	260	6	4000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Hart	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Hummer	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Immortalité	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Iphigénie	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Lancet	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Narcissus	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Pescadore	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Pique	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Plover	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Rainbow	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Rattler	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Redpole	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Swift	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Tamar	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Twoed	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Victor Emanuel	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong
Wivara	British	600	24	8000	Comd. Sir Robert H. Legh	Hongkong

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Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Admiral Korniloff	Russian cruiser	1610	32	6000	Captain Mohs	Nagasaki
Admiral Nakhimoff	Russian cruiser	7741	32	9500	Captain Koshchikoff	Yokohama
Africa	Portuguese transport	1993	—	—	Capt. Antonio Sergio de Sousa	Macao
Albatross	Russian gunboat	810	2	730	Captain Parnegov	Vladivostok
Arcton	German gunboat	2300	16	2400	Captain Becker	Yokohama
Argos	Spanish gunboat	108	2	600	Comd. R. Cabanas	Manila
Argo	French gunboat	415	4	450	Comd. R. Cabanas	Manila
Bayard	Portuguese gunboat	6010	28	4400	Comd. R. Cabanas	Manila
Bergo	Russian gunboat	482	5	400	Capt. A. T. Da Costa e Silva	Macao
Bolshoi	U. S. cruiser	3100	8	3600	Captain Mola	Nagasaki
Boston	Spanish cruiser	3161	22	2600	Captain F. Wilder	K'loon Dock
Cebu	Spanish ironclad	532	2	600	Capt. A. Martin de Oliva	Manila
Comète	French gunboat	468	4	450	Liut. A. Barrera	Shanghai
Corcoran	German cruiser	1440	8	2800	Capt. Simons	Nagasaki
Despatch	French cruiser	400	22	—	Capt. Beruad	Singapore
Detroit	U. S. cruiser	2200	16	5400	Capt. Reiter	Chempopo
Dimitri Donakoff	Russian cruiser	6000	16	7000	Captain Witte	Manila
Don Antonio de Ulloa	Spanish cruiser	1210	13	1250	Com. E. Robton	Manila
Don Juan de Austria	Spanish cruiser	1391	14	1400	Comd. R. J. de la Concha	Manila
Eclair	Spanish gunboat	166	7	600	Capt. Texier	Seicon
Elcano	Russian gunboat	560	9	3500	Liut. Com. F. Escudero	Manila
General Alava	Spanish gunboat	1200	2	1000	Capt. R. Rodriguez Trojillo	Manila
General Lejeune	Spanish gunboat	520	6	600	Liut. Com. A. Benavente	Manila
Groenlandia	Russian gunboat	1490	12	1350	Capt. Koudakoff	Yokohama
Irene	German cruiser	1040	10	2000	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Manila
Isle de Cuba	Spanish gunboat	1048	10	2200	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Manila
Isle de Luzon	Spanish gunboat	797	15	7800	Capt. Zeyo	Manila
Kaiser Franz Josef I	Austrian cruiser	4000	20	6000	Capt. Yedins	Manila
Konstantin Nikolai	Russian cruiser	1200	8	2150	Capt. W. J. Dorr	Yokohama
Korona	Russian ship	1200	8	2150	Capt. Lindstrom	Yokohama
Kreiser	Russian ship	600	6	500	Capt. Bekmecheff	Nagasaki
Lion	U. S. cruiser	1200	16	1600	Lieutenant Ganchet	Salmon
Manila	Spanish transport	190	2	730	Lieut. Com. J. J. Ozamis	Manila
Marabou	Russian ship	1200	8	2150	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Nagasaki
Marques del Duero	Spanish gunboat	500	6	550	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Nagasaki
Minotaur	U. S. ship	1200	16	1600	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Nagasaki
Olympus	Russian gunboat	1490	12	1350	Capt. J. J. Read	Shanghai
Panama	Russian gunboat	6000	35	8000	Captain Vincennes	Nagasaki
Panama	Russian gunboat	164	10	—	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Manila
Pascal	French ship	4800	30	4800	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Manila
Pavlov	Russian gunboat	468	4	450	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Manila
Pelagos	Russian gunboat	3090	18	4600	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Manila
Pelagos	Russian gunboat	1570	48	16,500	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Manila
Pelagos	Russian gunboat	980	18	1120	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Manila
Pelagos	Russian gunboat	1150	7	1600	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Manila
Pelagos	Russian gunboat	1200	8	2150	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Manila
Pelagos	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Manila
Pelagos	Russian gunboat	1700	15	3800	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Manila
Pelagos	Russian gunboat	1800	12	1470	Comd. R. D. Hagelad	Manila

THE CHINA ASSOCIATION.

Mr. W. Keswick presided over the annual meeting of the China Association held in London on the 9th March. In the course of his speech, he said his first duty was to propose the adoption of the report on the subject of the Chinese tariff, which had been submitted to the Association in the month of January. The report was the result of a year of unexampled good work, and the importance of the subject treated from both a political and commercial point of view had been fully appreciated. It was gratifying to find that the many representations which had been made on the subject had been taken into consideration, and had, he believed, influenced favourably the decisions arrived at. There were hopes entertained that some of the reforms which had been proposed would be adopted, and that the Chinese tariff would be brought into line with the tariff of other countries. The Association would be glad to see the Chinese tariff brought into line with the tariff of other countries, and would be glad to see the Chinese tariff brought into line with the tariff of other countries.

Mr. Keswick seconded, and the report was adopted. Lord Loch was elected President for the year. Mr. W. Keswick Chairman of Committee, Sir Alfred Dunt Vice-Chairman and Hon. Treasurer, and Mr. R. S. Gundry as Hon. Secretary.

THE ANNUAL REPORT.

The following extracts are taken from the annual report:—There is a growing tendency to admit that power is less centralized in China, than was at first assumed. A large measure of provincial independence co-exists with a large power of Imperial control. Recognising the fact of this decentralization, the Shanghai Committee argue in an extensive letter, that time and friction might often be saved by holding communication with the chief provincial authorities in the first place. This admission may entail a certain departure from the conception on which our diplomatic was originally founded, to proceed, and would entail a certain delegation of the authority which centres in Her Majesty's Minister as Superintendent of Trade; but it would be in accordance with fact, and offers promise of practical result. It has been a source of constant regret that Her Majesty's Minister have never been able to pay the periodical visits to the ports which are admitted to be theoretically desirable; and it is time the fact were recognised that the increasing stress of political affairs at Peking tends to render these visits increasingly difficult. These severe necessities might be met, probably, by the appointment of a Commercial Secretary of Legation, who should be familiar with the Chinese language and customs, and whose duty it should be to go periodically on circuit. If such posts are desirable at Peking and Tientsin, they are still more needed in the case of our Empire so extensive and so exceptionally constituted as China.

Japan, Formosa, ... The reduction of the export duty on tea to the Japanese Customs scale puts the Chinese producer on the mainland at a disadvantage that went down the throat of any other Government. The difficulty is understood to be chiefly political, and to arise from fear of British competition for the trade of Yunnan. The opposition might be comprehensible if it were part of the project to hand over French customs entering Hongkong by differential duty such as English merchants encounter in Hong-Kong, or if it were proposed to secure for English steamers such exclusive rights as Russia has acquired on the rivers may not share; and it is regrettable that the Chinese authorities should be enabled to maintain on this great waterway, an exclusive policy which has been broken down on the western frontier of Kwangsi.

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